

SCHOOL BOARD ACTS

Finance Committee's Estimate of Expenses Adopted.

GETTING READY FOR FIGHT

All of the Trustees Will Appear Before Council Thursday Night to Protest Against Reduction in Levy—Say They Must Have \$36,500.

The board of school trustees met last night and adopted the report of the finance committee on the approximate cost of maintaining the public schools for the session of 1905-'06, and designated Dr. William F. Cooper, with all the members of the board and Supervising Principal Willis A. Jenkins, to be present at the special meeting of the common council Thursday night, when the school tax levy ordinance is to be acted upon.

The meeting was called just at this time on account of the proposed cut of five cents in the school levy for the coming fiscal year. The trustees propose to make every possible effort to prevent the common council from making the cut and if they do not win out before that body they will continue the contest before the board of aldermen. If both branches should pass an ordinance providing for a levy of 20 cents on \$100 instead of 25 cents, then the trustees will appeal to Mayor Buxton to veto the measure when it is presented to him for his signature.

When the board met in special session in the assembly hall of the High school building last night, the following members were present: Cooper, Harrison, Puckett, Nelms, Barrett and Garrett.

President Cooper called the body to order and briefly stated the object of the meeting.

Mr. Puckett, chairman of the finance committee, submitted the following report, which was adopted by the board:

"To the Board of School Trustees of Newport News, Va.

"As directed at the last meeting of the board your committee have gone carefully over the books and accounts of the clerk and after comparing them with the books of the city treasurer, beg to submit a statement showing receipts and disbursements of the school fund for the term of 1904-1905, and a statement showing approximately the amount of money required to maintain the schools in their present state of efficiency for the term of 1905-1906.

"It will be noted that while there is an apparent surplus in the fund for the present term, this surplus is accounted for by the fact that according to the city treasurer's estimate we will receive about \$1,200 more than our last year's estimate, which in addition to the \$1,231.38 brought forward, reduces the apparent surplus to a very small figure.

"The estimate for our next term is based upon the actual expenses incurred during the present term, and your committee cannot see how the schools can be effectively maintained unless this amount is provided.

"Respectfully submitted,
"W. E. PUCKETT,
"J. P. HARRISON,
"EDWIN PHILLIPS,
"Finance Committee."

"Statement showing approximate cost of conducting the public schools of Newport News for the term of 1905-1906:

"Teachers' salaries\$25,750.00
"Janitors' salaries 3,351.00
"Clerk's salary 300.00
"Repairs and improvements to buildings 2,250.00
"General supplies, including books for indigent pupils 1,815.00
"Fuel, water and light 1,850.00
"Treasurer's commission 1,184.00

"Total\$36,500.00

"Statement showing receipts and disbursements of school funds for term of 1904-1905:

"Receipts.
"City fund, to March 1, 1905, \$23,819.97
"State fund 6,383.38
"Uncollected city fund (estimated) 7,000.00
"Total\$37,203.35

"Disbursements to March 15, 1905.
"State Fund, City Fund
"Teachers\$6,383.38 \$19,355.65
"Janitors 2,094.83
"Clerk 200.00
"Repairs and improvements to buildings 1,303.28
"Supplies 1,821.84
"Fuel, light, and water 1,815.16
"Rent 21.00
"Indigent pupils 12.76
"Total\$6,383.38 \$37,009.82

"Total\$23,819.97

"Estimated cost of maintaining schools, remainder of session, and vacation expenses\$11,521.50
"Total cost for session\$55,967.80

"Total receipts for session, \$37,203.35
"Total cost for session, \$55,967.80
"Balance\$18,764.55

Upon the adoption of the report the board adjourned after being in session about an hour.

LECTURE AT Y. M. C. A.

"How Uncle Sam Knows the Weather," by Mr. E. W. Sniffen.

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nim. There will be no admission fee charged, and the public is invited.

This is the first of a series of practical talks which will be given at stated times in the association. One feature of these gatherings will be that opportunity will be given anyone to ask questions in regard to the subject under discussion.

MISSOURI EXHIBIT COMING.

Bill has Now Passed Both Branches of the Legislature.

News has been received at the Jamestown Exposition headquarters from General Lee to the effect that the bill providing for the transportation of the Missouri exhibit, which was one of the features of the St. Louis exposition, to the Jamestown exposition grounds, has passed both branches of the Missouri legislature.

General Lee has been assured by Governor Folk that at a special session of the legislature next fall a bill will be passed providing for a handsome building.

General Lee and Attorney O. D. Batchelor, who have been in Missouri in the interest of the exposition company, are expected to return home one day this week.

Attorney T. J. Wolf, who left here with General Lee and Mr. Batchelor, appeared before a committee of the New Jersey legislature yesterday.

BENNIE ACCEPTS CHALLENGE.

Terms Proposed by Somerville Suit the Local Wrestler.

Bennie Jones has decided to accept the challenge of Bob Somerville, the English wrestler, who agrees to throw the local man three times in an hour for \$300 a side, the winner to take everything.

Following is Jones' answer:

"Editor Daily Press:

"I, Bennie Jones, will accept the terms of Bob Somerville, the British featherweight champion wrestler, to throw me three times in one hour catch-as-catch-can, pin falls to count (that is, two shoulders to touch the mat at once). I hope I shall hear from Bob Somerville and that an agreement may be signed for a match to come off at some place in Newport News. This is no bluff. Man and money ready.

"Yours respectfully,
"BENNIE JONES,
"Retired Featherweight Champion of America."

SPECIAL SESSION CALLED

COMMON COUNCIL WILL MEET THURSDAY NIGHT.

Ordinances Providing for Annual Budget, License Taxes, General and School Tax Levies to be Acted Upon

A special meeting of the common council will be held Thursday night. The call was issued yesterday by President D. S. Jones and it sets forth that the following matters are to be acted upon:

License tax ordinance.

Ordinance making general appropriations for 1905-'06.

General tax levy ordinance.

School tax levy ordinance.

Various ordinances made necessary by the annual budget.

Ordinance fixing salaries of city officials and employees.

Any report the finance committee may have to make concerning the redemption bonds, bids for which will be opened tomorrow at noon.

On account of the number of matters of unusual importance to be disposed of, this meeting will probably be an interesting one.

A meeting of the board of aldermen will be held early next week for the purpose of acting upon the ordinances to be passed upon by the lower branch Thursday night. It is necessary that all of the ordinances in connection with the annual budget, license tax levies, etc., be in effect by April 1.

Show at Barton's Theatre.

A sort of indoor circus and vaudeville combination is holding the boards at Barton's Auditorium theatre this week. Features of the performance are trained animal exhibitions, trapeze work and the act of Belle Stone, who ascends and descends a spiral track in a steel ball. There will be performances every night this week, except Friday night, when the company goes to the Soldiers' Home theatre.

Meyers' Millinery Opening.

Meyers Bros. department store will have its spring millinery opening and fashion display tomorrow and Thursday. As the result of an inadvertent error in setting up the advertisement for this event, which appeared in Sunday's issue of the Daily Press, the dates were made March 15 and 16, instead of March 22 and 23.

Judgment Against Scull.

In the Corporation Court yesterday the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the case of the Citizens and Marine bank against Wolf Scull, giving judgment for \$206. Mr. A. C. Garrett represented the plaintiff and the defendant was represented by Mr. R. M. Lett.

Ball at Casino Tonight.

The Sons of Abraham will give their annual masquerade ball at the Casino tonight. Handsome prizes will be awarded for the best costumes. Mayor Buxton has given permission for the dancers to go through the streets in costume.

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Those forty-two piece dinner sets at Lash's are selling for only \$5.87 a set. Have you seen them?

2-7-17

NEW POINT RAISED

Norfolk Wants the Sewall's Point Customs Office.

IT IS IN THIS DISTRICT NOW

New Railway Terminal Will be Under the Local Collector Unless a Change is Made by the Treasury Department—Reasons Given.

Norfolk people are raising the question of whether Sewall's Point, after it has become the terminus for the Tidewater Railway, will be in the customs district of that city or in the district of Newport News.

At present Sewall's Point is in the district of this port and, as far as is known here, nothing has been done toward having a change made by the treasury department. If such a movement is started, it will of course be started in Norfolk, and it is believed that it will meet with opposition, not only from people on this side of the Roads, but upon the part of shipping interests also.

It is argued that the geographical location of the proposed new railway terminal will cause the treasury department to make the change of its own volition. On the other hand, shipping men here claim that it would be much more convenient for masters of vessels and all parties concerned to have the place in this district.

Some people who have no particular interest in either Norfolk or this city predict that Sewall's Point will be made a port and given a custom house and collector of its own.

ACQUITTED WALKER.

Jury Decided That William Taliaferro Was Accidentally Killed.

Richard Walker, indicted for the murder of William Taliaferro, alias Bill Sewall, also colored, has been acquitted in the Circuit Court of Warwick.

Taliaferro was a member of the crew of an oyster schooner belonging to Captain Hudson Mench, of Warwick county. While the boat was at anchor in Warwick river one night, several months ago, Taliaferro was shot with a double-barrelled shot gun, the load almost tearing away the lower part of his body. Richard Walker was the only person on the boat besides the wounded man.

The schooner was brought here on the day after the shooting and Dr. A. C. Jones, who was called to attend Taliaferro, had him removed to the hospital. There the injured negro died, after stating that he was shot accidentally. According to his story, the shotgun was in his bunk when he went to sleep and in some way he caused it to be discharged.

Sheriff Curtis arrested Walker several days after the shooting.

NO SALOONS FOR BLOODFIELD

LEAGUE WANTS LOWER END OF WARWICK TO BE DRY.

Every Application for License Will be Opposed Before Judge Tyler in the Circuit Court Today.

Bloodfield will be "dry" if the Anti-saloon League wins its fight before Judge Tyler in the Circuit Court of Warwick today. The judge has set for hearing today all of the contested liquor license application cases and a busy day for the court is looked for.

The representatives of the Anti-saloon League will oppose every application that is made for license to conduct a saloon in the lower end of Warwick county, including Bloodfield, Klondike, etc.

Among those who will apply for license today will be James Dabney, of Ivy avenue. An effort was made to have Dabney's license revoked recently, but in this instance the league failed to accomplish its object. Attorney B. B. Semmes was Dabney's counsel.

SEVEN BODIES TAKEN OUT.

Twenty-four Believed to Have Been Killed in Mine.

PHIL CREEK, VA., March 20.—The second rescuing party, which was organized yesterday, to enter the Rush Run and Red Ash mines to recover the bodies of the twenty-four men who are believed to have been killed by the explosions Saturday and yesterday morning, finally were able to enter the mine today. Of the first four bodies reached in the Rush Run mine, three were unrecognizable. The body of Fire Boss Banister was recognized by his clothing. No entry has yet been made into Red Ash mine.

Seven bodies in all were taken from the Rush mine by the rescue parties.

TWO KILLED IN WRECK.

Engineer and Unknown Tramp Lose Lives in Railway Accident.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., March 20.—A special train from Fort Smith says: A fast train on the Rock Island system ran into an open switch today at Potter, Indian Territory, wrecking the entire train, which included two cars of cattle. The engineer was hurled under the engine and was dead when taken out. His name could not be learned. Firemen Hildebrand had both his legs crushed off below the knees. An unknown tramp, riding on a cattle car, was killed.

Supreme Court Recess.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 20.—States today took a recess for two weeks.

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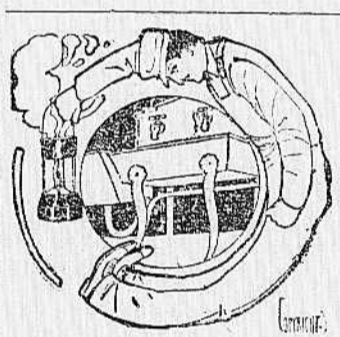
(Signed) Mrs. Mattie Shaffer.

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